

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 95

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 93

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 95—Relative to the Officer Richard Hyche Memorial Freeway.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 95, Soto. Officer Richard Hyche Memorial Freeway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 10 in the City of Ontario as the Officer Richard Hyche Memorial Freeway.

This measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Officer Richard Hyche, a four-year veteran of the Ontario Police Department and 31 years of age, was fatally wounded on October 15, 1975, and at the time was the first Ontario police officer killed in the line of duty since 1957; and

WHEREAS, Richard Hyche was born on April 27, 1944, in Long Beach, served in the United States Marine Corps, attended the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Academy, worked at the Glenn Helen Maximum and Minimum County Jail Facility for two years, and was hired as a police officer by the Ontario Police Department on July 23, 1971; and

WHEREAS, Officer Hyche received an Associate of Arts degree from Chaffey College in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Officer Hyche was killed by a single gunshot by a suspect being sought in connection with a murder that had occurred the previous day at the Pepper Tree Motel, upon Officer Hyche responding to a sighting of the suspect near an apartment complex; and

WHEREAS, The suspect was later convicted and sentenced to life in state prison, and subsequently escaped from prison, fled to Montana, and was eventually killed after a deadly crime spree; and

WHEREAS, Officer Hyche is survived by his wife Karen, and children Darryn, Tracey, and Bryan; and

WHEREAS, Officer Hyche is still remembered today by former supervisors and colleagues as an excellent officer who was always outgoing and friendly, who enjoyed his work as a police officer, and who had a strong commitment to his fellow officers; and

WHEREAS, It is therefore appropriate to commemorate in his honor a portion of State Highway Route 10 (Interstate 10) in the City of Ontario

that adjoins the neighborhood where Officer Hyche was killed while serving his community; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the portion of State Highway Route 10 (Interstate 10) in the City of Ontario between the 6th Street overcrossing and the intersection of Euclid Avenue shall be known as the Officer Richard Hyche Memorial Freeway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.